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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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FOR: SPREADER IMPLANT FOR PLACEMENT BETWEEN VERTEBRAE



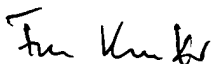
ENCLOSED ARE:

- (X) Specification (14 pages), Claims (3 pages/ 12 claims) & Abstract;
- (X) two (2) sheets of Drawings; (Figs. 1 - 4)
- (X) Declaration and Power of Attorney; UNSIGNED
- () Assignment to Advanced Medical Technologies AG;
- () Certified copy of GermanPat.Appli.No: 102 48 170.9 filed Oct. 16, 2002
the priority of which is claimed under 35 USC 119;
- (X) Small Entity Status is being claimed. (37 CFR 1.9 & 1.27);
- () Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference;

THE FILING FEE HAS BEEN CALCULATED AS SHOWN BELOW:

	Claims filed	Extra	SMALL ENTITY	or	LARGE ENTITY
Basic Fee			\$ 385.00		\$ 770.00
Total Claims	12	-20=	x \$ 9.=	x	\$ 18.=
Indep. Claims	1	- 3=	x \$ 43.=	x	\$ 86.=
() Multiple Dependent Claim Presented?			x \$145.=	x	\$290.=

Respectfully submitted



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